- The method according to claim 33 wherein the component comprises nucleated fetal cells from maternal blood.
- 63. The method according to claim 33 wherein the component comprises at least one specific gene of a microorganism, which encodes a gene product presented on an inner or outer cell membrane or viral envelope.
- 64. The method according to claim 33 wherein the component comprises gene products of defined gene segments.
- 65. The method of claim 48, wherein said activities are selected from the group consisting of enzymatic activities and complex-formation activities.
- 66. The method of claim 52, wherein the antibody binding domains are protein A derivatives or protein G derivatives.

## **REMARKS**

The claims presented for consideration are 33-66.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims presented by the instant amendment overcome the rejections under §§ 112, 101, 102, and 103, as set foth in the Office action.

Favorable action commensurate with the foregoing is requested.

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